

Preliminary Amendment  
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**REMARKS**

Claims 1 through 17 are pending. Claim 5 is amended.  
No new matter is added.

Favorable consideration of the application is  
respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

Please amend claim 5 as follows.

5. (Twice Amended) Hydrogel containing the conjugate according to claim 1, [characterised in that the] water and a solubility promoter, [wherein the] characterised in that the hydrogel has a viscosity between 5,000 and 400,000 mPa\*s (20°C), preferably between 10,000 and 30,000 mPa\*s (20°C).